THE DESIRES OF THE COMMISSIONERS

for the weekly Loane to His MAJESTIES Horse in the County of OXFORD,

PRESENTED TO

HIS MAJESTY,

IN THE BEHALFE OF the County.

Whereupon it is Ordered by His MAJESTY, and commanded to be Printed, both for the information of the Officers *and Souldiers of the Army, and Inhabitants of the County aforesaid.*

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THe pay to each Regiment being proportioned, so many Townes (lying together) may be assigned to each, as by the sums already laid upon each Town in the Loane of 1200l per week, the Money may be raised to every Regiment.

2 That the petty Constables make Assessements, and publish them to the Inhabitants, and then return a Copy of the Assessement to the Officer in chiefe of the Quarter they are off, and make them only in the names of the parties in present occupation of the land, with a distinction of places, whereby the Officer may know how to make Distresse in case of refusall.

3 That the Commissioners for the County may have power to regulate and alter Assessements upon complaint made to them, and that the Army submit to such alteration of Assessements as come unto them signed under three of the Commissioners hands.

4 That the petty Constables collect the Money, and bring the same to any place of the Division they are off, but not further, as the Officer in chiefe shall appoynt.

5 That when the Constables return, that they cannot levy the Money from the parties upon demand, then only it shall be lawfull for the chiefe Officers of the Quarter to distrain, or to send an Inferiour Officer with Souldiers to levy it, which he or they are to perform, by calling the petty Constable, or his deputy to shew them the place Taxed, whereupon only, or upon the parties goods in an other place of that Mannor, they are to distrain, or if in case they distrain otherwise, or in any other then as aforesaid, that such Distresse shall be accounted in them as unlawfull Plundering, and the Officers and Souldiers be proceeded against by a Court of Warre, as for Plundering those in due Obedience to His *Majesty*, who pay duly all Contribution to His *Maiesties* use.

6 That

6 That when a diſtreſſe is to be, no more Goods and Chattles ſhall be taken, then (as near as may be) can be eſteemed a double value of the Money Taxed upon the place, and that diſtreſſe not put to ſale untill three dayes be expired, after the Diſtreſſe taken, and likewiſe being firſt appraiſed by two ſufficient men of the pariſh: and if the Diſtreſſe do exceed the double value of the Taxe, by reaſon of a fitter is not to be had, then the over-plus to be left in the Conſtables hands to be return'd to the owner.

7 Where more Troopers are Quartered upon any perſon, exceeding the weekly charge of his Contribution, and the Souldiers pay not that over plus, it ſhall be lawfull for the Conſtable of the place to make payment to the party forth of the money to be collected by him in his liberties, and ſuch money is to be allowed him by the Officer in chiefe of the Quarter upon the Conſtables Accompt to be next made to the ſaid Officer.

8 Where Lands be unſtockt, and the Loan not paid, it ſhall be lawfull for the Officer in Chiefe of the Quarter to make his beſt of the whole, till due order be taken for payment by the owner of the land, and if it be wood-lands there,

it may be lawfull to ſell, to the double value of the Tax weekly, of the Under-woods, (not medling at all with Timber) untill due payment be made by the owners.

9 That the Commiſsioners in the firſt order named continue their meetings as formerly appointed, to hear and determine all controverſies ariſing upon Aſſeſſements, and to tranſmit the complaints and greivances of the Country to the Court of Warre which are occaſioned by the Souldiers; and if the Court of War ſhall not give due remedy, That the Commiſſioners may repair to His Majeſty and the Councell of War, for further redreſſe againſt both Court of Warre and Troops offending.

10 That a Court of war be named and required to ſit upon the ſame dayes as the Commiſſioners do, as aforeſaid.

11 That His Majeſties Horſe be quartered, if it may be, in Market Townes, and Townes of Thorough-fare, where are conveniency of Stabling and Victualing houſes, as places moſt convenient, and for the more eaſe of the Farmer leaving convenient ſtabling and lodgeing in Inns for entertainment of Travellers.

12 That theſe Articles be Printed and publiſhed

ſhed in all Churches, and ſo many Copies printed as each Town and Conſtable in the County, and every Officer may have one or more for his information.

13 That if any dammages acrue by the Souldiers within their Quarters, reparations may be made according to his Majeſties Agreement to that effect, as formerly; & if that be not then ſufficient to the parties loſſe and dammage ariſing from the Souldiers, That the effect of ſo much may be ſupplyed forth of the moneys raiſed upon delinquents Eſtates in the County.

Laſtly, that all Commodities ſhall be taken and paid for, and all Billetting be taken & paid for according to the rates & prizes formerly in the printed Books of Agreement by His Majeſty, for the Information of the County in that caſe, ſet forth by Commiſſioners. *Given at Our Court at Oxford, this* Eight *day of* February, *in the Nineteenth yeare of Our Raigne.* 1643.

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